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SUBJ: TEXT OF JOINT STATEMENT ON TALKS BETWEEN SECRETARY KISSINGER

AND SOVIET FORIEGN MINISTER GROMYKO IN GENEVA JULY 10-11,

1975

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF SUBJECT STATEMENT WHICH IS EMBARGOED FOR RELEASE AT 7:00 P.M. GENEVA TIME (7:00 P.M. BONN TIME; 9 PM MOSCOW TIME; 2:00 P.M. EDT) ON FRIDAY, JULY 11, 1975:

QUOTE: IN ACCORDANCE WITH AN EARLIER AGREEMENT, A MEETING WAS HELD ON JULY 10-11 IN GENEVA BETWEEN THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR NATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS, HENRY A. KISSINGER, AND MEMBER OF THE POLITICAL BUREAU OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE CPSU, MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE USSR, ANDREI A. GROMYKO.

IN FURTHERANCE OF THE CONVERSATIONS HELD PREVIOUSLY, THEY CON-

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TINUED THEIR EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON MATTERS OF BILATERAL US-SOVIET

RELATIONS.

PARTICULAR ATTENTION WAS GIVEN TO ISSUES RELATED TO WORKING OUT A NEW LONG-TERM AGREEMENT ON THE FURTHER LIMITATION OF STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE ARMS ON THE BASIS OF THE UNDERSTANDING REACHED BETWEEN PRESIDENT GERALD R. FORD AND GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE CPSU, L.I. BREZHNEV, AT THEIR MEETING IN VLADIVOSTOK IN NOVEMBER, 1974.

IN REVIEWING THE INTERNATIONAL ISSUES OF INTEREST TO BOTH SIDES, THEY HELD A THOROUGH DISCUSSION, IN PARTICULAR, ON QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE HOLDING OF THE FINAL STAGE OF THE CONFERENCE ON SECURITY AND COOPERATION IN EUROPE AT THE SUMMIT LEVEL IN HELSINKI. THEY ALSO CONTINUED THEIR EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON MATTERS OF ACHIEVING A JUST AND LASTING PEACE SETTLEMENT IN THE MIDDLE EAST, INCLUDING THE QUESTION OF RESUMING THE GENEVA PEACE CONFERENCE.

THE TALKS WERE CONDUCTED IN A FRIENDLY ATMOSPHERE AND BOTH SIDES BELIEVE THAT THE EXCHANGE OF VIEWS WAS CONSTRUCTIVE AND USEFUL FROM THE STANDPOINT OF FURTHER DEVELOPING US-SOVIET RELATIONS IN CONFORMITY WITH THE COURSE THEY HAVE EMBARKED ON TOGETHER AND THE CONCRETE AGREEMENTS REACHED DURING THE US-SOVIET SUMMIT MEETINGS. UNQUOTE.DALE

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